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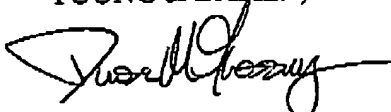
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 25-0115.

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2005, please make the amendments shown in the attached papers in this application in the:

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**Amendments to the Abstract.**

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**Amendments to the Specification.**

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**Amendments to the Claims.**

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**Amendments to the Drawings.**